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"Rollin' on a River" Event at New River Next Weekend

Bandon, Ore. – The special event series at the New River Area of Critical Environmental concern, south of Bandon, will culminate Saturday, Sept. 6 with a presentation on watersheds by the South Coast and Lower Rogue River Watershed Council.

The program, titled "Rollin' on a River," begins at 10 a.m. It will include a demonstration of the watershed council's Stream Trailer, a large watershed model designed to teach water quality issues and the importance of watershed stewardship using hands-on fun.

The program is open to all ages and is free of charge. The BLM asks visitors to make a reservation for the event due to limited space. To reserve a space, visitors can call (541) 290-1862 with their name and the number in their party.

To reach New River ACEC, travel south from Bandon on Highway 101 for approximately 8.6 miles. Turn right onto Croft Lake Lane and follow the signs to New River and Ellen Warring Learning Center.

For more information about New River ACEC and the planned event, call the Coos Bay BLM District Office at (541) 756-0100.

About the BLM: The BLM manages more land – 258 million surface acres – than any other Federal agency. Most of this public land is located in 12 Western States, including Alaska. The Bureau, with a budget of about \$1.8 billion, also administers 700 million acres of subsurface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's multiple-use mission is to sustain the health and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. The Bureau accomplishes this by managing such activities as outdoor recreation, livestock grazing, mineral development, and energy production, and by conserving natural, historical, and cultural resources on the public lands.

